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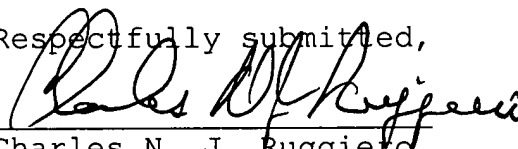
Claims 102 and 103 are presented for examination in the present application upon entry of the instant preliminary amendment. Claims 1 through 101 have been cancelled for purposes of removing multiple dependencies. An English translation of the application will follow in due course.

In view of the above, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in condition for examination. Applicant respectfully requests favorable consideration and passage of this application to allowance.

If for any reason the Examiner feels that consultation with Applicant's attorney would be helpful in the advancement of the prosecution, the Examiner is invited to call the telephone number below for an interview.

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Respectfully submitted,



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